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Reporting for the week ending April 14, 2013

General

On average, farmers had 4.1 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 3 percent short, 67 percent adequate, and 30 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 10 percent short, 67 percent adequate and 21 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 31 degrees Fahrenheit at Gilbert to 42 degrees Fahrenheit at Eudora, Rohwer, and Stuttgart. Highs ranged from 80 degrees Fahrenheit at Fayetteville to 88 degrees Fahrenheit at Eudora. A mid-week cold front brought heavy rainfall with significant winds to most of the state. The storm produced three tornadoes in the north central portion of the state.

Crops

Producers had 36 percent of the corn crop planted, 57 percent behind last year and 26 percent below the five-year average. Corn emergence was at 16 percent, 56 percent behind 2012 and 21 percent below the five-year average. Producers had 9 percent of the rice crop planted, 62 percent behind 2012 and 22 percent below the 5-year average. Rice emergence was at 1 percent, 26 percent behind 2012 and 7 percent below the five-year average. Sorghum planting was at 6 percent, 69 percent behind last year and 27 percent below the five-year average. Sorghum emergence was at 1 percent, 41 percent behind 2012 and 10 percent below the five-year average. Producers had planted 1 percent of the soybean crop last week, 17 percent behind 2012 and 8 percent below the five-year average. The winter wheat crop was 6 percent headed by week's end, 84 percent behind last year and 26 percent behind the five-year average. Winter wheat was in mostly good condition, but there continued to be reports for treating stripe rust. Farmers were able to plant row crops at the beginning of the week until the mid-week rain hindered progress.

Livestock

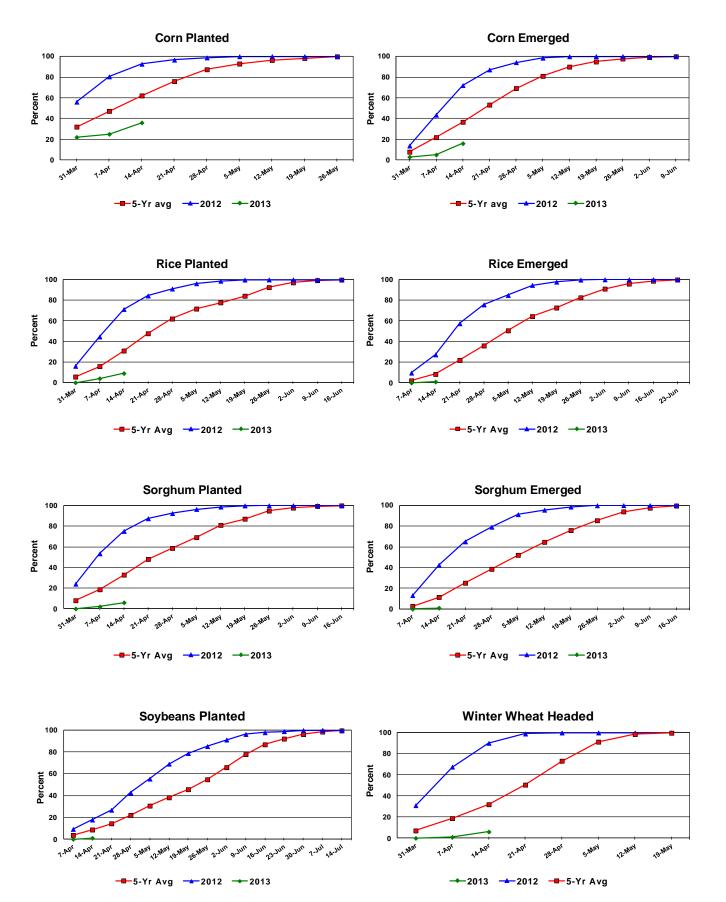
Livestock were in fair to good condition last week. Pasture and range condition were reported in mostly fair condition last week. Forages made moderate growth during the beginning of the week. Producers continued spraying and fertilizing their pastures. Hay condition was mostly fair to good.

Percent of Progress

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	2012	5-Year Avg
Corn	Planted	36	25	93	62
	Emerged	16	5	72	37
Rice	Planted	9	4	71	31
	Emerged	1	0	27	8
Sorghum	Planted	6	2	75	33
	Emerged	1	0	42	11
Soybeans	Planted	1	0	18	9
Winter Wheat	Headed	6	1	90	32

Condition in Percentages

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent			
Winter Wheat	5	2	29	53	11			
Hay-Alfalfa	10	3	40	44	3			
Hay-Other	4	7	47	40	2			
Pasture and Range	2	9	46	37	6			



Temperatures and Precipitation Week Ending April 14, 2013									
		Temperatures				Rainfall			
					Wk Ending	4 wk	4 wk		to-Date
District	Station	High	Low	Normal *	Apr 14	Accum	Normal	2013	Normal
Northwest	Fayetteville	80	32	2	1.27	4.66	3.92	13.47	11.79
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N. Central	Calico Rock	82	32	3	3.15	5.21	4.33	18.79	13.31
N. Central	Gilbert	83	31	2	0.54	2.57	4.33	14.83	13.31
	Greers Ferry	84	34	3	1.04	2.84	4.18	16.02	14.10
	Mtn. Home	82	36	3	0.58	2.03	4.18	14.49	13.30
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Northeast	Batesville	81	36	1	1.83	4.18	3.91	16.46	13.10
	Blytheville	84	40	5	2.63	3.68	4.25	16.89	14.67
	Jonesboro	83	37	4	1.41	2.95	4.30	14.36	13.93
	Keiser	85	39	3	3.55	6.11	4.31	20.29	14.97
	Newport	82	41	1	1.70	4.53	4.30	16.12	14.10
W. Central	Booneville	85	34	-1	0.61	5.41	3.74	16.90	13.15
	Clarksville	84	36	2	0.56	3.87	4.17	14.50	13.29
	Dardanelle	84	33	2	2.10	5.65	4.30	19.86	13.76
	Ft. Smith	86	38	3	0.62	3.34	3.68	14.60	11.39
	Mena	81	33	2	1.10	6.64	4.61	20.45	15.12
	Ozark	83	32	1	0.60	2.85	3.51	14.59	12.92
Central	Conway	84	38	3	1.19	4.62	4.65	15.20	14.69
	Hot Springs	85	39	2	0.80	4.56	4.80	14.26	15.69
	Little Rock	86	38	3	0.79	5.61	4.47	17.44	14.30
	Morrilton	85	34	2	1.53	5.21	4.16	17.09	14.03
	N. Little Rock	85	41	2	1.55	6.50	4.29	18.24	14.10
E. Central	Brinkley	82	40	2	2.30	7.14	4.21	19.94	14.48
	Marianna	83	39	3	2.15	6.61	4.64	21.54	15.54
	Stuttgart	82	42	5	2.42	6.37	4.54	20.09	15.23
	West Memphis		37	3	2.48	4.63	4.19	20.11	15.73
Southwest	DeQueen	84	34	4	0.33	2.26	4.12	6.74	13.38
Southwest	Hope	85	36	3	0.53	3.85	4.12	13.55	15.71
	Texarkana	85	40	3	0.33	3.20	3.59	10.17	13.71
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S. Central	Camden	87	37	2	1.45	6.95	4.19	18.62	15.83
	El Dorado	85	37	3	2.27	5.00	3.91	13.68	15.86
	Fordyce	86	35	3	1.74	7.21	4.56	18.91	16.68
Southeast	Eudora	88	42	2	3.79	8.39	4.71	27.00	18.42
	Monticello	86	39	4	2.61	8.19	4.41	23.36	17.17
	Pine Bluff	84	41	2	2.32	6.44	4.64	17.45	15.63
	Rohwer	84	42	2	2.24	7.08	4.09	24.02	16.47

^{*} Departure from normal = $(\underline{\text{high} - \text{low}}) - 30$ year average 2

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